

And in certain cases to have the same remedy, &c.

body of the person against whom process may have been issued, shall satisfy the plaintiff the amount of his debt and costs, he shall have the same remedy against the defendant on the plaintiff's judgment against him as the plaintiff himself might originally have had.

CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT respecting the stealing and counterfeiting of Checks or orders on Banks.

Merged in 1809, ch. 138.

CHAPTER 103.

AN ACT respecting the acknowledgment of Deeds.

See 1715, ch. 47, and the notes thereunder, ante page 35.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, by the acts heretofore passed for the enrolment and acknowledgment of deeds, no particular form for certifying the said acknowledgment by the person or persons who should take the same, is designated or prescribed, and in many instances the judge or justices before whom the said acknowledgments have been made, have certified the same very inaccurately, whereby it is apprehended the validity of such deeds may be questioned, contrary to the intention of the parties who executed the same,

Certain deeds good, &c.

SEC. 2. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That in all cases where an acknowledgment of a deed hath been made before any person or persons competent by law to receive such acknowledgment, and the said person or persons, receiving such acknowledgment, hath or have certified, by endorsement on said deed, that the grantor, bargainor or vendor, mentioned in the said deed, acknowledged the lands and tenements therein mentioned, to be the right or title of the grantee, bargainee or vendee, or hath or have certified any acknowledgment tantamount thereto, or endorsed any certificate in any words declaratory of the intention of the grantor, bargainor or vendor, to pass or convey the property in said deed mentioned unto such grantee, bargainee or vendee, such deeds shall be as good and available in law against such grantors, bargainors or vendors, their heirs, executors and administrators, as if the person or persons receiving such acknowledgment had certified that the grantor, bargainor or vendor, had acknowledged the said instrument in writing to be his, her or their act and deed, any law, usage or custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Acknowledgments to be good, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That in all cases hereafter, where any person or persons, competent by the laws of this state to receive the acknowledgment of deeds, shall certify, by endorsement on said deed, that the donor, grantor or bargainor, in any